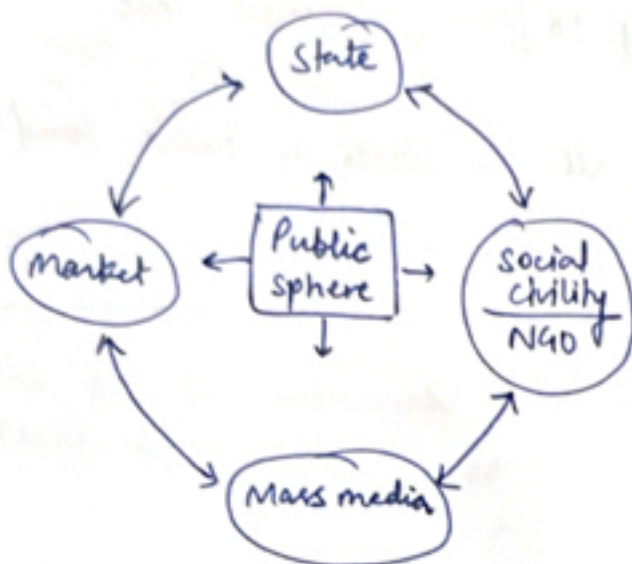


NGO

- Acc. to WB - NGO is a pvt. organisation that pursues activities to relieve suffering, promote interest of poor, protect environment, provide basic social services or undertake community development.
- India = approx = 3.3 mn registered NGOs.
- operational arm of civil society, 3rd sector
- Amarjyoti = relation b/w state & NGO, cooperative conflict



- supplement efforts of govt.
- NGO prajwala = eradicate forced prostitution
- Bachpan Bachao andolan
- Bombay Natural History Society.
- Amnesty International
- Help Age India for elderly
- Aman Biradtri for communal harmony
- Live love laugh foundation for mental health

Role of NGO

- 1. Uphold Democracy**
 - participatory democracy (eg) ActionAid India
 - political education & awareness (eg) ADR
 - watchdog for government (eg) PUCL - RTI
 - reduce authoritarian tendencies (eg) Lokparthi
 - democratic decentralisation
- 2. Policy Advocacy**
 - feedback mechanisms (eg) NGO prathan, CSE
 - influence policies (eg) Naaz foundation (A-377)
 - better implementation
- 3. Good Governance**
 - bring openness, Acc, Transparency in govt. function (eg) All-India anti-corruption ng
 - social audit (eg) Samarth-NGO
 - Better service delivery (eg) Goomj
 - community-based monitoring (eg) Public Affair Centre, Sehgal foundation
- 4. Developmental Role**
 - social upliftment & economic development (eg) PRADHAN for rural women emp. network
 - finding innovative solutions (eg) Barefoot college, make women solar engineers
 - bridge gap b/w hard to reach remote area (eg) Mazdoor Kisan Shiksha Sangathan

Social capital Development

SNEHA (Society for Nutrition, education, & Health Action)

→ help in societal reform & eradication of social evil

② SMILE foundation

→ capacity building & empowerment ③ SEWA

operation Ashy: doorstep delivery of TB patients treatment

Challenges faced by NGO

1. Issue faced by NGO

- Relationship with government ② Amartya Sen coined term "cooperative conflict"
- Friction b/w civil society & bureaucracy.
- Less & conditional funds from government
- funds from foreign sources restricted under FEMA.

② Issues because of NGO

- Accountability & credibility: questioned due to lack of transparency in budget keeping.
- legitimacy challenge: accused of whitening black money. ③
- Islamic research foundation accused of round tripping.
- Nm compliance: more than 80% NGOs don't submit their balance sheet.

③ Issues within NGO

- management issues
- silos mentality - work on narrow interest
- fragmentation: even NGOs with similar function lack integration

Way forward

- ↳ self regulation: for better management, monitor own process & performance & professionalism, A/c, Transparency.
- ↳ Better financial management norms: (a) external auditing
- ↳ coordination with Government (a) CARPAT & NRI Aayog platform.
- ↳ Accreditation of voluntary organisation for better governance, management, performance
- ↳ Vijay Kumar committee report.
 - ↳ Modernise interaction process to reduce cumbersome processes.
 - ↳ Nodal body to oversee various interfaces b/w NGOs & govt.
 - ↳ Need an overarching legislation with best practices

Government steps

- ↳ NGO Darpan → Portal under NRI Aayog where NGOs can register for applying for grants.
- ↳ SC guidelines brought NGO with substantial government funding under RTI.
- ↳ FCRA & FEMA for foreign contribution regulation.